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VAN WYCK READY FOR FAIR EVENT

FINE PROGRAM ARRANGED

Great Interest Being Manifested. Marshals For Day Selected.

Van Wyck, Oct. 24.—All arrangements are about complete for Van Wyck Community Fair. We visited all of the schools directly interested in the fair and made some announcements concerning the fair. Among these announced to the schools that there will be a cash prize for the best composition on the subject—"The Community Fair." Open to all pupils of Osceola, Van Wyck and Ferguson schools. The best paper to be awarded a prize of one dollar; second best, fifty cents. These papers to be submitted to a committee of three, by one o'clock Tuesday, Oct. 31st, to be passed upon and awards made. The name of the writer must not be written on the composition, but a number assigned by the teacher, and the name of the school be written on the paper to identify the prize winners.

There will be arrangements made to serve lunches on the grounds.

The committee of program has handed in the following: Chief marshal, K. M. Yoder; assistants, L. C. Ferguson and Sam Vaughan.

10 a. m. to 11 a. m.—Placing exhibits.

11:15 a. m.—Parade of decorated automobiles, floats and vehicles.

11:30 a. m.—Parade of school children, led by chief marshal and his assistants on horseback, accompanied by music. To march to railroad station and escort the speakers to the fair grounds and school building.

12:15 p. m.—An address to the schools by B. C. Ashcraft, editor Monroe Journal.

1 p. m.—Noon recess.

2 p. m.—Parade of live stock and awarding prizes.

2:30 p. m.—Agricultural address by Hon. E. J. Watson.

3 p. m.—Driving contest, single team.

3:15 p. m.—Driving contest, double team.

3:30 p. m.—Driving contest, best lady driver, single team.

3:45 p. m.—Driving contest, best lady driver, double team.

4:00 p. m.—Driving contest, single mule team.

4:15 p. m.—Driving contest, double mule team.

4:30 p. m.—Riding contest, horse or mule.

4:45 p. m.—Trotting races, horse or mule.

All exhibitors are requested not to move any exhibits until after 4:30 p. m.

All living in an Wyck community fair district are urgently requested to bring as many exhibits as possible and all old and unique relics to be placed on exhibition. Everybody is cordially invited to come and help to make Van Wyck's first community fair a pleasant and successful occasion.

Van Wyck was well represented at Ringling's shows in Charlotte last Monday. Among those attending were: W. N. Ashe, J. A. Hyatt, J. E. Nisbet, J. M. Nisbet, K. M. Yoder, John Spray, W. Brunson, C. R. Yoder, M. C. Harmon, J. M. Yoder, Mrs. J. M. Yoder, Mrs. R. H. Massey and Miss Eva Massey. These are grown-ups and did not go to take the children, but to see for themselves and returned convinced the shows were the best they had ever seen.

Mr. W. N. Ashe carried little Willie Dobson, daughter of Mr. Geo. Dobson, to St. Peter's Hospital at Charlotte, on Monday of last week, to have her tonsils and adenoids removed, which has been giving her trouble for some time. The operation was successful and the little girl is now at home and getting on fine. Little Willie is a bright girl and a good day school and Sunday school pupil.

Communion services were held at Van Wyck Presbyterian church last Sunday morning by the pastor, Rev. James Russell. These services were fairly well attended.

Mr. J. A. Hyatt, Mrs. W. H. Hyatt and Miss Annie Hyatt motored to Lancaster last Saturday.

Miss Jenette Plyler has gone to

OPTIMISM MARKS WILSON'S VIEW

TO MAKE MORE TRIPS

Three Short Tons and Two Speeches at Shadow Lawn Make up His Schedule.

Long Branch, N. J., Oct. 22.—Optimism marks President Wilson's attitude towards his campaign as it reaches its last stages. Men who have discussed the situation with him said today that he is confident he will be re-elected. The President has two more speeches here and three trips on his schedule before election day. He probably will receive the returns at Shadow Lawn. He will leave Wednesday for Cincinnati where he will speak Thursday. Then he will deliver an address here Saturday at a celebration of "Woodrow Wilson day." Next week he will go to Buffalo and New York city, completing his speech-making with an address here November 4.

Alton B. Parker has accepted an invitation to take lunch with the President tomorrow and James W. Gerard, ambassador to Germany, will lunch with him Tuesday.

Vance McCormick, Democratic national chairman, came here tonight for a conference with the President on the general political situation.

SAPP TO RUN FOR CONGRESS.

Columbia, Oct. 23.—Claud N. Sapp, assistant attorney general, tonight formally announced his candidacy for congress from the Fifth Congressional district two years hence. Mr. Sapp is a native of Lancaster county, which he served in the Legislature. Mr. Sapp took a prominent part last week in the Graham suit against the State, from which he emerged with considerable added prestige.

Mr. Sapp has always been a loyal Democrat and will vote the national and State ticket in November. He dubbed the talk of bolting as absurd and said none of the Blease leaders had ever entertained such an idea. "It is nothing but idle street talk," said Mr. Sapp in declaring as his opinion that the Blease caucus scheduled for tomorrow night would not even consider anything like bolting.

SOUTHERN IMPROVEMENTS

Washington, Oct. 17.—Ninety-three grade crossings of the Southern Railway's Washington-Atlanta line have been eliminated in connection with double track work between Orange, Va., and Central, S. C.

Thirty-eight were supplanted by overhead bridges; 33 by underpasses, while 22 were removed by changes in the route of public roads.

In all construction work the fixed policy of the Southern is to separate important highway crossings wherever practicable. This policy means large additional expense which is undertaken as a permanent investment for safety.

The Southern has also co-operated with local authorities in the elimination of many dangerous crossings on others of its lines, devoting to this work as much as its resources and other obligations would permit.

Pleasant Grove, near Cassett, to teach this winter. Miss Jenette is a fine girl, and this is her first school, and our good wishes go with her for a successful term of teaching.

Mrs. J. H. Crenshaw made a trip to Rock Hill last week to consult Dr. Fennell in regard to her health.

Mr. J. L. Sowell of Kershaw visited Van Wyck last Sunday. He was accompanied home by his daughter, Mrs. W. H. Hyatt, who has been spending some time with her husband, who is helping his father, Mr. J. A. Hyatt in road work.

Miss Bess Cunningham, who has been visiting Mrs. W. M. Harden, and taking in the Rock Hill fair, stopped over with her aunt, Mrs. J. M. Yoder at Oakdale and friends at Van Wyck for several days. She left for her home in Lancaster today and expressed herself as having had a very pleasant visit.

J. M. YODER.

HEATH SPRINGS MAN EXHIBITS FINE STOCK

WEEK OF MUCH INTEREST

Birthday Dinner Given Mr. Mobley—High School Gives Entertainment.

Heath Springs, Oct. 23.—One of the most pleasant occasions enjoyed in Heath Springs recently was the birthday dinner given to Mr. H. P. Mobley by his children and their families at his home Thursday, Oct. 19th. All his daughters, with their families including Mesdames Lucius Bell, R. L. Vaughn, W. B. Falkenberry and Hasel Vaughn and one son, J. Edgar Mobley, were present. A bountiful dinner was spread, to which full justice was done by those present, after which a passage of scripture was read and the divine benediction asked by the pastor upon Mr. and Mrs. Mobley and their children, those present and those absent. The only thing that could have marred in any wise the pleasure of the day was the absence of three sons, two of whom are principals of schools, one in North and the other in South Carolina, while the third, a recent graduate of Furman University, is in Greenville taking a course in Draughts Business College.

The Rev. W. B. McIlwaine gave an instructive and helpful address on mission work in Japan at Rich Hill Baptist church Thursday night of last week. Misses Lizzie and Fannie McIlwaine, his sisters, will spend the winter with him and his family on the campus of Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, Va. This is a most delightful arrangement for these elect ladies, so that they may be with their honored brother while spending his well earned vacation in the States. Mr. McIlwaine has a son in Union Seminary who will, after graduation, take up mission work in Japan.

Mr. W. B. Twitty has returned from Atlanta, where he exhibited some fine stock from the Twitty-Halle farm. He left again Monday for Columbia, where he left his hogs on his way home from Atlanta. He took well deserved prizes in Atlanta as he will also do in Columbia.

Messrs. Lewis Robertson, W. T. Mobley, J. A. Bridges and Dr. E. F. Horton motored to Sumter Wednesday, Oct. 18, to inspect a roller mill in operation there.

The oyster supper given by the high school at the school building Friday night was a pronounced success both from the financial and social standpoints.

Master Taylor Mobley went to Lancaster Friday night to spend the week-end with his grandfather, Mr. S. D. Taylor. He returned here Sunday after two days pleasantly spent in Lancaster.

Messrs. Sidney Twitty and Furman Crimminger came from Great Falls Saturday night to visit their parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Twitty and Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Crimminger at Flint Ridge.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Hendrix of Lancaster spent Sunday with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Hendrix.

Mr. E. B. Mobley went to Kershaw Sunday afternoon to visit Mrs. Mobley's brother, Mr. Walter Taylor.

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Croxton and children, Mrs. G. D. Ellis and children, Mr. W. C. Ellis and Mr. A. B. Cauthen jitneyed to Fork Hill Sunday to be present at the "Home-coming" service. They report a great crowd present, an abundant dinner served, an enjoyable service and altogether a "great day." In addition to the observance of State Mission Day exercises, a sermon was delivered in the afternoon by Dr. J. H. Boldrige of Woodruff. A pleasing feature of the day was the celebration of the birthday of the beloved pastor of the church, the Rev. T. A. Dabney.

Mrs. W. C. Ellis left Monday for Columbia where she will be the guest of her brother, Mr. C. B. Mobley and family, for several days this week.

COTTON PRICES.

Today, Tuesday, October 24, cotton selling at 19 cents. Seed 90 cents per bushel—\$60 per ton.

GERMANS REGAIN LOST POSITIONS

ALLIES' EFFORTS FAIL

Attacks on Two Sections of Front Beaten Back—Three Tanks Destroyed.

Berlin, Oct. 29 (by Sayville).—The greater part of the trenches on the road between Aucourt L'Abbayer and LeBarque which were captured by the British on October 28 were retaken yesterday by German troops, according to the official statement issued today at the German army headquarters.

Attempts made by British detachments to advance last night north of Courcetele and east of LeSars, the statement adds, failed.

"In the last great attack against the German positions in the Somme region the British used several tanks and three of them were destroyed by the German artillery fire," the statement declares.

SUCCESS IN THE EAST.

Berlin, Oct. 20 (by Sayville).—German troops yesterday stormed important Russian positions with adjoining lines on the west bank of the river Narayuvka in Galicia and repulsed sanguinarily counter attacks, says the German official statement issued today. The Germans captured 14 officers and 2,050 men and took 11 machine guns.

BATTLE MORE LIVELY.

Berlin, Oct. 20 (via Sayville).—The battle between Austro-German forces and Roumanians on the frontier ridges of Transylvania is progressing, says today's German official statement, while in the Roumanian province bordering the Black sea the fighting between the Russo-Roumanian armies and the forces of the central powers yesterday became more lively.

CHECK FOR SERVANS.

Berlin, Oct. 20 (by Wireless to Sayville).—The forward movement of the Servian forces in the bend of the River Cerna, in southern Servia, has been halted by the troops of the central powers after a temporary Servian success, says the German official statement, issued today.

GOOD NEWS AND BAD.

Bucharest, Oct. 20 (via London).—The Bulgarian and German forces in Dobrudja have taken the offensive along the whole front. They have forced back the Roumanian left wing, the war office announced today.

The Roumanians have taken the offensive in the Ofius valley, through which the Austro-German forces, invaded Roumania, the war office announced today. They have driven back the invaders to the frontier. The repulse of attacks on other parts of the front also is reported.

In the Bran defile in the Trotus and Uzul valleys and on the left bank of the Ault, Austro-German attacks were beaten off. The Roumanians took prisoners and war material. In the region of Mount Robu five assaults were made costing the Teutonic forces heavy losses. The Roumanians recaptured Mount Surul, near Rothenthurm pass.

BATJJE IN PROGRESS.

Petrograd, Oct. 20 (via London).—Announcement of the inauguration of an offensive movement in eastern Roumania by the army of Field Marshal von Mackensen is made by the war office. It is said the Germans and Bulgarians have suffered great losses. The battle continues.

SERVANS MAKE GAIN.

Paris, Oct. 20.—The war office announced today that the Servians have captured the plateau and village of Veljeselo on the western end of the Macedonian line, putting the Bulgarians to rout.

The statement says heavy losses were inflicted on the Bulgarians. The Servians captured 100 Bulgarians and three cannon.

Veljeselo is two miles north of Brod, a town on the Cerna river, the capture of which was announced yesterday by the French war office.

PROFIT AND JOY IN COUNTY FAIRS

MAY GAIN NEW IDEAS.

Chance for Agriculturist to Learn Things of Value to Him.

A. M. Latham in Home and Farm, Louisville.

The fair season is on. This is the time of the year when we hold corn shows, canning club exhibits and general agricultural fairs. The question may be under discussion by many farmers now whether or not it will pay them to attend. Some few farmers think there is nothing to be gained either by showing or seeing. This is a mistaken idea of theirs, and one which they will discard from their minds if they will but stop a few moments and seriously consider.

It has been said that it is by comparison that a thing is either classed good or bad. Everything is comparable in the way of nature and man's work. Some specimens of fruit of the same variety are better than others. There are conditions that cause these variations, and it is worth the grower's time to study well these differing conditions.

It is undeniably true that the growers who exhibit place the best fruit they have on exhibition, which often is not a true representation of the fruit at home. These good specimens go to show what can be grown under the most favorable conditions. If a grower has choice fruit, he is generally proud of it. The fair is the exhibition ground for the best the country produces.

If a grower succeeds in getting a prize because of his fruit's superiority, he is encouraged to grow still better fruit and make a better showing the next year, or, if his fruit fails to get awards, he is spurred on to try to do better. This sort of good natured competition brings good results. It has a tendency to induce all to grow better fruit. Those who failed will make an effort to find out why they failed and avoid making the same mistake again, and try in the future to do much better. The ideals of the fruit growing industry are raised, and if by our efforts to reach the ideal, we fail to get to the goal, we are benefited as we are sure to improve upon our past.

At even a small county fair, the products of the different sections are shown, and it is learned what varieties do best on certain soils, under certain situations and conditions. As a consequence, the grower sees what is best adapted to certain sections and how to improve under certain conditions.

A wonderful array of varieties will be present on the exhibition tables. The old standard ones, with new ones by their side for comparison. The merits of all are discussed, and often valuable ideas are put forth that will greatly help the small fruit grower as well as the larger ones. The poor varieties, or unsuitable ones, are given their show, and the grower is given a chance to avoid them. One may have intended to plant a certain variety, but when he sees and tastes it, finds it objectionable and avoids it.

The different methods of culture of the different kinds are discussed, and the most successful plans of culture, spraying, cover crops, manuring, budding, thinning, etc., can be obtained. Then there is a great social advantage to be gained by these meetings. The people of a class are brought together and often valuable acquaintances, that otherwise would never have existed, are made.

While there is plenty of hard work, all right in getting ready for the fair and in putting on the display, yet there is a lot of enjoyment and fun. It relieves the monotony and revives the sleepy-spirited. It helps to lose some of that hated "isolation" of which the farmers sometimes complain. It is educational, for one often learns how little he actually knows, and is revived by being permitted to demonstrate the little that he does know.

Sometimes one thinks that their products are very inferior, and they are inclined to want to sell out and go where they can grow better stuff. But when they pick out a bushel of apples, a plate of pears, or some oth-

BIG CROWDS SEE WILSON GO HOME

BRYAN ON THE TRAIN

Great Commoner Rides With Former Chief and Expresses Confidence of Victory.

Harrisburg, Pa., Oct. 20.—President Wilson, returning to Long Branch today from Chicago, participated in campaign demonstrations arranged in his honor along the route by local Democrats in Ohio and Pennsylvania. Twice at Greensburg, Pa., and in this city, he alighted from his private car and thanked large crowds for coming to see him.

A throng was assembled here tonight in the square in front of the railroad station, where red lights were burned in honor of Mr. Wilson. Introduced by Samuel Kunkel, treasurer of the Democratic State committee, the president said: "I have no speech to make, but I would indeed be ungenerous if I did not express my gratification that you should come out to see me this way. It is great encouragement to a public man who is trying to do his duty to receive such a welcome."

The President hurried back to his private car, but just as the train got under way the coach ahead of his car jumped the track, bringing the train to a stop with a bump. A delay of 15 minutes resulted.

At Greensburg the President left his car in a driving rain and walked outside the station with Col. Richard Coulter, Jr., of the Tenth Pennsylvania regiment, just returned from the Mexican border. A band played "The Star Spangled Banner" as he appeared and the crowd applauded. The President stood up in a flag draped automobile, waived to the crowd, expressed his thanks and then hurried back to the waiting train.

Brief stops were also made at a number of towns, where the president appeared on the rear platform of his car and shook hands with the people. It rained constantly, but the crowds kept it off with umbrellas.

W. J. Bryan met the president at Pittsburgh and rode with him for more than an hour afterward on his train. Because Mr. Bryan was not expected, he did not ride in the president's automobile at Pittsburgh. Crowds along the streets cheered Mr. Wilson when he appeared.

Mr. Bryan, after talking with the president, said he had become convinced that Mr. Wilson would be re-elected. He has been campaigning for the president in the West and declared he expected the Democrats to gain several senators in the mountain States.

"I want to put it as strongly as possible that Mr. Wilson will win," said Mr. Bryan. "The people approve his Mexican policy and something the administration has done appeals to every class of voters." He added that the women of the West are for the president.

Joseph Guffey, chairman of the Pennsylvania Democratic State committee, boarded the president's train this morning and rode through the State with him.

Tomorrow afternoon Mr. Wilson will address a gathering of farmers at Shadow Lawn.

er farm product, and enter it along with their neighbor's articles, they find they have as good as he has grown, and when compared with the best the State fair has on exhibition, he learns to his surprise that he is not so far behind after all. While the year has been on "off season" for him, it has been an off season for the other fellows, too.

In my opinion, no farmer or fruit grower can afford to miss his county fair. By all means he should attend; it is only fair to himself and his neighbors that he do so. Then again, it is of almost as much importance that he attend the State fair. Sometimes this "can not be done on account of the distance and home affairs, but in every instance where it is possible, the farmer should attend the fairs in his county and his State. The education, is worth while, worth a great deal more than they cost in time and money.